

# CONTEST IN DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

State Central Committeeman Dr. James J. Donohue Defeated Representative J. F. Craney—Downes Won Over Connelly For Election as Delegate.

The contests that were known to be on for places on the delegation to the democratic state convention resulted in filling Town hall to the standing point on Tuesday night at the democratic caucus. All the seats were filled and there was a rim of men standing around the rear of the hall and near the doors when Street Commissioner E. C. Lillibridge called the meeting to order shortly after 8 o'clock.

## Two Contests.

When the time for nominations arrived, it developed that the contests were between state central committeeman Dr. J. J. Donohue and Representative John F. Craney for first place on the delegation, and John J. Con-



DR. JAMES J. DONOHUE.

nelly, put forward as the representative of the workmen in the party, and Registrar Cornelius J. Downes. The rank and file of the party gave Dr. Donohue an overwhelming majority over his opponent, which was taken to indicate their confidence in him as the local leader of the party, and Registrar Downes was successful over his opponent.

The following was the delegation elected:

Central district, Dr. J. J. Donohue, William H. Callahan and Matthew M. Keough; Second, Cornelius J. Downes; Third, Thomas J. Kelly; Fourth, John J. Connelly; Fifth, Jeremiah Donovan; Sixth, Elmer Kingsley.

## Address by Chairman.

When the meeting was called to order, the first business was the election of a chairman, Edward T. Burke being nominated for this place by M. J. Coscoran and elected by acclamation. In taking the chair, Mr. Burke said that it was certainly an inspiring sight to see this great gathering of democrats and it was an indication of the spirit that prevailed in the party. The caucus should be an harmonious one and there should be but one object in view, the success of the grand old democratic party. He referred to previous democratic victories, especially in the campaign of 1892, when in company with a well known and honored member of the party he had addressed party gatherings. Without having mentioned the name of the late Dr. P. H. Harriman, the men present understood that it was to him the chairman referred. It had been said then, said Chairman Burke, by his colleague, that we were in a campaign of education, and he felt that these words apply equally now.

It should not require any great effort on our part to win, for when you see an ex-president attacking his own political party, it is food for thought and ought to be a lesson for republicans who have been fooled so often. Will the workmen never wake up to the fact that pledges given by the republican party have been nothing but bush and never kept? Chairman Burke referred to the charges that Parker made of using campaign funds contributed by great corporations, a charge that was substantiated in the New York insurance investigation.

The coming battle will prove to be one of the greatest political battles ever seen, for vital interests are at stake, and sometimes the workmen may fear that the very foundations of

the republic are quaking. The man who is riding around will not hesitate at anything to get the nomination, but I do not hesitate to say that if nominated we will beat him. (Applause).

Never before for sixteen years has the democratic party had a better opportunity than at the present time, and I believe that our opponents will be strongly reminded of that next fall.

Frank L. Farrell and Arthur P. Robinson were nominated clerks, when Mr. Burke concluded his brief address, which was greeted with applause.

Nominations of delegates to the state convention were called for and John J. Connelly took the floor. Nominating Representative John F. Craney, he made a short but stirring speech in which he declared that the party could do no less than send Mr. Craney as the delegate as they had already sent him to the legislature.

John F. Coughlin nominated Dr. J. J. Donohue, who, he said, was known not only to his own city but throughout the state and for several years past had been a member of the state central committee, a successful worker for the party in the state and in his own town and city. He inquired of his hearers where the previous speaker found his precedent for sending a delegate to Bridgeport because he was a representative. Mr. Coughlin said that his nominee possessed all the qualifications desired in a delegate, and he took pleasure in nominating so worthy a representative. The nomination elicited a resounding volume of cheers.

Michael Moore of the West Side, said to be well known as a republican voter, stepped to the desk at this point and moved to make the nomination unanimous. His ally brought out a shout of laughter as he took his seat. M. J. Coscoran moved that the vote be taken by passing from right to left of the chair, but before the voting started Felix Callahan obtained the floor and asked that the gathering stand for a moment as a silent expression for the loss that the party and every poor man in the city of Norwich had sustained in the death of Dr. P. H. Harriman.

This tribute to the departed leader was given, and the voting then proceeded.

## Dr. Donohue Chosen.

When the clerks made their report, Chairman Burke announced the result as follows:

Whole number of votes cast, 548; necessary for a choice, 275; Dr. J. J. Donohue, 438; John F. Craney, 150. Dr. Donohue was declared the first delegate from the Central district.

The announcement of the result brought out a round of cheers, and Mr. Craney promptly took the floor and moved the vote be made unanimous, which was passed.

William H. Callahan, on nomination of J. J. Shugrue, and Matthew A. Keough, on nomination of Dr. J. J. Donohue, were elected respectively second and third delegates by acclamation.

## Third District Contest.

For the nomination of the fourth delegate, M. J. Kelley took the floor, saying that he agreed with the statement of a previous speaker, that we needed men of education, but he proposed to nominate a staunch democrat and an AI friend of the laboring man; one who would work both for the party and the interests of the laboring men. Mr. Kelley declared it was poor democracy to call a convention of the workmen and then insult them about their education. (Applause.) He would nominate a man of undoubted honesty, ability and integrity—John J. Connelly.

The nomination was applauded, but M. J. Curran nominated Cornelius J. Downes in opposition to Mr. Connelly. The vote was taken by passing in front of the chair.

The vote was announced as follows by Chairman Burke: Whole number of votes cast, 443; necessary for a choice, 222; Cornelius J. Downes, 238; John J. Connelly, 165. Mr. Downes was declared the nominee, amid cheers.

Mr. Connelly at once moved to make the vote unanimous.

## Others Chosen Unanimously.

Thomas J. Kelly, nominated by Daniel Donovan, and John McGrath, nominated by Charles McGrath, were elected by acclamation, representing respectively the third and fourth districts.

For the delegate from the fifth district, Richard Macka nominated Jeremiah Donovan, and the name of Otto Benoit was also placed in nomination. Mr. Donovan was elected by acclamation.

Elmer Kingsley was nominated from the sixth district and elected by acclamation.

Without instructing the delegates, the caucus adjourned at 9:10 o'clock on motion of M. J. Coscoran.

The convention is to be held May 1 and 2 in Bridgeport.

The delegates are for the re-election of Dr. Donohue as state central committeeman from this district, and for a complimentary vote for Governor Baldwin for president, but beyond that no decision has been made.

## SIDNA ALLEN ESCAPES

FARMER DIVINS' BULLET. Was Out of Range and Detectives Return Empty-Handed.

Hillsdale, Vt., April 2.—Sidna Allen the chief of the mountain outlaws who shot up Carroll county courthouses and has been hunted in the mountains ever since, was seen yesterday and shot at by Alex Divins, a farmer. Allen, however, was out of range and got away.

Detectives Payne and Lucas returned to town tonight after a hard ride through knee deep mud and reported Allen's escape.

The two bloodhounds from the state farm "Fanny" and "Top" are the main hope of the man hunters now. The heavy rains have washed away all trails and the dogs make little headway. Last night Payne and Lucas carried the dogs twenty miles on their saddles to put them on a new scent.

Some of the posers are still in the mountains guarding the roads but the heavy rains drove the main parties into the settlements tonight for food and shelter. They will resume the hunt tomorrow.

## HEDGES CHARGED WITH FIRST DEGREE MURDER.

Confined in a Padded Cell and Being Closely Watched.

Greenwich, Conn., April 2.—Coroner Phalen held an inquest this afternoon into the death of James G. Stewart, for which Roland Hedges is being held. After examining Doctors Austin and Clark, the coroner decided to continue the inquest until tomorrow in the absence of an important witness, a Mr. Seward of New York, who, it is said, saw the assault.

Prosecuting Attorney Wake had a conference with the coroner today and later drew up a complaint formally charging Hedges with murder in the first degree. Hedges, according to present plans, will be arraigned in court tomorrow afternoon at three o'clock. In the meantime he is being closely watched in a padded cell. He is said to be extremely nervous and has fits of weeping.



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Two Women Fatally Injured by Being Caught in the Debris.

Philadelphia, April 2.—Two women were fatally injured, scores of houses were unroofed and more than 25 were completely demolished by a windstorm of cyclonic velocity which passed over that portion of Camden known as Coopers Point and swept down the Delaware river to the center of the city, doing thousands of dollars' worth of property damage.

Tonight Camden is in utter darkness—all the electric lights having been turned off and the streets in the northern section of the city are piled high with debris and telegraph poles. Mrs. Annie (widow of) Camden and Miss Annie Behrend of Philadelphia, who were riding in a street car in Camden, were caught beneath a building, which was demolished by the storm, and both were so badly crushed that the physicians at the hospital say that neither can recover.

Although the vortex of the storm did not reach this city, considerable damage was done here, the wind reaching a velocity of more than 40 miles an hour. An unoccupied six-story building at 323 Chestnut street was unroofed and an immense sheet of tin was blown across that thoroughfare.

Thunder and lightning was another accompaniment of the storm and shored in the general work of destruction. A panic was caused among the operators in the main office of the Western Union Telegraph company, when a bolt struck the 17th floor of the building where they are employed. Glass in the windows was broken by the shock and hurled by the wind into the faces of the telegraphers. A mad rush for the doors ensued, but fortunately no one was seriously injured.

No section of the city escaped damage; the wind blowing from southeast to northwest, visiting West Philadelphia and the suburbs of Germantown and Chestnut Hill.

## Three Killed While Sleighting.

Three Rivers, Que. April 2.—A Montreal bound train on the Canadian Pacific railroad, crashed into a sleigh at Rochelle, Quebec today, instantly killing all three occupants, two men, father and son, named Doucet, and the wife of the latter, of Mount Carmel.

## The Senate Yesterday Adopted a Resolution

presented by Senator Lodge, requesting the president if not incompatible with public interest to furnish the senate all information bearing on reported Japanese activity at Magdalena bay, Lower California.

## Prescription That Soon Knocks Rheumatism

The only logical treatment for rheumatism is through the blood. The poisons that settle in muscles, joints and back, causing severe pain, must be dissolved and expelled from the system or there can be no relief. This prescription from a noted doctor is said to be working wonders all over the country. Hundreds of the worst cases were cured by it here last winter. "From your druggist get one ounce of Toris compound (in original sealed package) and one ounce of syrup of Sarsaparilla compound. Take these two ingredients home and put them into a half pint of good whiskey. Shake the bottle and take a tablespoonful before each meal and at bedtime." Results come the first day. If your druggist does not have Toris compound in stock he will get it in a few hours from his wholesale supplier. Don't be induced to take some patent medicine instead of this. Insist on having the genuine Toris compound in the original, one ounce, sealed, yellow package.

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### Women's Serge Dresses

Women's Serge Dresses, in all the newest styles for Spring, neatly trimmed—colors are black, brown, navy, tan, etc.

Prices are \$4.25 to \$19.50

### Women's New Spring Waists

A splendid showing of new models in Waists, ranging from a big variety of styles in Tailored and Lingerie Waists at 98c all the way to dainty Silk Waists at \$5.00.

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Women's new Spring styles of Messaline and Japanese Silk Waists with Dutch neck and short sleeves, trimmed with dainty lace, in white, navy, tan, Copenhagen and gray—regular \$4.50 Waists at \$3.48.

## EASTER MILLINERY

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The most fashionable shapes, the newest trimming effects, the most beautiful colorings are shown in a profusion equalled at no other store.

Trimmed Outing Hats for Women, Misses and Children—all the newest shapes and most fashionable colorings.

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Women's Dress Hats, hundreds of newest Spring models, and the prices are \$1.98, \$2.48, \$2.98 and up to \$25.00.

To avoid any disappointment we advise making a selection of your Easter Hat early in the week.



## An Easter Sale OF WOMEN'S SILK HOSIERY

The largest and most important offering of fine Silk Hosiery that we have ever made.

Every woman would like Silk Hosiery as part of her Easter costume. This special offering makes it possible, as the prices are within reach of every woman's purse. As follows:

- LOT 1—600 pairs of Women's Black Silk Hosiery—Silk Boots with lisle tops—second quality of regular 50c Hosiery, but just as good for service as the regular goods—Special price 29c a pair
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- LOT 6—Women's fine quality Black Silk Hosiery, hand embroidered, dainty designs and regular \$1.75 value—Special price \$1.35 a pair
- LOT 7—Women's fine quality Black Silk Hosiery, hand embroidered, dainty designs, regular \$2.00 quality—Special price \$1.65 a pair



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